

# SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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## BALANCED BUDGET RECONCILIATION/Farm Spending

**SUBJECT:** Balanced Budget Reconciliation Act of 1995 . . . S. 1357. Exon motion to waive the Budget Act for the consideration of the Harkin amendment No. 3020.

### ACTION: MOTION REJECTED, 31-68

**SYNOPSIS:** As reported, S. 1357, the Balanced Budget Reconciliation Act of 1995, will result in a balanced budget in seven years, as scored by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO). The bill will also provide a \$245 billion middle-class tax cut, \$141.4 billion of which will be to provide a \$500 per child tax credit.

**The Harkin amendment** would strike the bill's sections on commodity programs, conservation, and agricultural promotion and export programs, and would substitute in lieu thereof alternate provisions. The amendment would also strike the bill's provisions to reform the corporate alternative minimum tax (AMT) as a means of offsetting the \$8.4 billion increased cost of its agricultural provisions. The amendment would provide for a two-tier marketing loan system for wheat and feed grains and would create a new environmental quality incentives program.

The amendment was offered after all debate time had expired. However, 1 minute of debate was allowed on the amendment by unanimous consent. Following debate, Senator Domenici raised a point of order that the amendment contained non-germane matter and thus violated the Budget Act. Senator Exon then moved to waive the Budget Act for the consideration of the amendment. Generally, those favoring the motion to waive favored the amendment; those opposing the motion to waive opposed the amendment.

**NOTE:** A three-fifths majority (60) vote of the Senate is required to waive the Budget Act. Following the vote, the point of order was upheld and the amendment thus fell.

**Those favoring** the motion to waive contended:

The Harkin amendment gives Senators a complete substitute for the agricultural provisions in the bill. This substitute will only cut \$4.2 billion from farm programs over the next 7 years, instead of the \$12.6 billion that will be cut by the bill. We support this

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YEAS (31)		NAYS (68)			NOT VOTING (0)	
Republicans (0 or 0%)	Democrats (31 or 67%)	Republicans (53 or 100%)	Democrats (15 or 33%)		Republicans (0)	Democrats (0)
Akaka	Heflin	Abraham	Helms	Biden		
Baucus	Hollings	Ashcroft	Hutchison	Bingaman		
Boxer	Inouye	Bennett	Inhofe	Bradley		
Bryan	Kennedy	Bond	Jeffords	Breaux		
Bumpers	Kerrey	Brown	Kassebaum	Byrd		
Conrad	Kerry	Burns	Kempthorne	Graham		
Daschle	Kohl	Campbell	Kyl	Johnston		
Dodd	Leahy	Chafee	Lott	Lautenberg		
Dorgan	Mikulski	Coats	Lugar	Levin		
Exon	Moseley-Braun	Cochran	Mack	Lieberman		
Feingold	Moynihan	Cohen	McCain	Nunn		
Feinstein	Murray	Coverdell	McConnell	Pell		
Ford	Pryor	Craig	Murkowski	Reid		
Glenn	Robb	D'Amato	Nickles	Rockefeller		
Harkin	Simon	DeWine	Pressler	Sarbanes		
	Wellstone	Dole	Roth			
		Domenici	Santorum			
		Faircloth	Shelby			
		Frist	Simpson			
		Gorton	Smith			
		Gramm	Snowe			
		Grams	Specter			
		Grassley	Stevens			
		Gregg	Thomas			
		Hatch	Thompson			
		Hatfield	Thurmond			
			Warner			
					<b>EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:</b>	
					1—Official Business	
					2—Necessarily Absent	
					3—Illness	
					4—Other	
					<b>SYMBOLS:</b>	
					AY—Announced Yea	
					AN—Announced Nay	
					PY—Paired Yea	
					PN—Paired Nay	

amendment because it is fairer to farmers and other rural Americans.

**Those opposing** the motion to waive contended:

The agricultural provisions in this bill were crafted by the Agriculture Committee after extensive debate as a comprehensive reform of farm policy in America. We are not about to endorse this amendment as a complete substitute for the Committee's hard, and expert, work.